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HATCHERY PRODUCTION

March 1961

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Chick Production U.S. DEPOSITORY

Chick output by hatcheries during March totaled 299,604,000, up 21 percent from March 1960. Production of broiler-type chicks in March was at a record high level, up 18 percent from March last year. Eggs in incubators on April 1 indicate that the production of broiler chicks in April will also be much larger than a year ago. Production of broiler chicks during January through March totaled 549,616,000, compared with 495,476,000 during these months in 1960--an increase of 11 percent.

Egg-type chicks hatched in March 1961 totaled 90,458,000, up 26 percent from March 1960, but 23 percent below the hatch of March 1959. Eggs in incubators on April 1 indicate that the egg-type hatch in April will be larger than the relatively small April hatch of last year. The hatch of egg-type chicks during the first three months of 1961 totaled 171,723,000, up 29 percent from these months in 1960, but 20 percent below the production during these months in 1959.

Poult Production

The hatch of heavy white breed poults during March totaled 4,552,000--up 70 percent from March 1960. Other heavy breed poults, mostly broad-breasted bronze, totaled 12,749,000, up 13 percent. The hatch of light breed poults totaled 1,064,000, up 7 percent from March 1960. For the first three months of 1961 the hatch of heavy white breed poults was up 70 percent from a year earlier, other heavy breeds were up 22 percent, and the hatch of light breeds was up 15 percent. The hatch of poults (all breeds) during January through March of 1961 totaled 34,678,000, compared with 26,443,000 during these months in 1960, an increase of 31 percent.

Turkey eggs in incubators on April 1 indicate that the hatch of poults (all breeds) in April will be larger than in April 1960.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type				Egg-type	
	March		January through March		March	
	1960	1961 1/	1960	1961 1/	1960	1961 1/
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	5,304	5,373	14,430	15,063	493	389
N.H.	1,126	1,133	3,079	3,164	311	370
Vt.	0	0	0	0	77	86
Mass.	942	885	2,643	2,828	1,511	1,838
R.I.	285	360	722	992	42	105
Conn.	3,038	2,899	8,407	7,812	953	886
N.E.	10,695	10,650	29,281	29,859	3,387	3,674
N.Y.	866	610	2,359	1,695	1,856	1,800
N.J.	740	590	2,470	1,450	2,110	2,380
Pa.	4,492	5,099	13,197	15,067	4,617	5,458
M.A.	6,098	6,295	18,026	18,212	8,583	9,638
Ohio	1,450	1,500	3,950	3,900	3,800	4,500
Ind.	6,666	5,711	17,069	14,923	4,344	6,023
Ill.	827	832	2,230	2,237	4,404	5,269
Mich.	510	500	1,430	1,370	1,680	1,950
Wis.	1,583	1,670	4,616	5,038	1,899	2,400
E.N.C.	11,036	10,213	29,295	27,468	16,127	20,142
Minn.	470	835	1,255	1,995	5,510	6,900
Iowa	410	580	1,220	1,445	6,950	9,850
Mo.	4,852	6,591	15,269	18,200	2,205	3,714
N.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	393	570
S.Dak.	2/	2/	2/	2/	2,181	3,000
Nebr.	135	280	475	583	2,660	4,165
Kans.	259	500	807	980	1,741	2,500
W.N.C.	2/ 6,136	2/ 8,871	2/ 19,046	2/ 23,295	21,640	30,699
Del.	5,939	7,065	17,512	19,510	3/	3/
Md.	11,355	12,632	33,048	34,937	190	370
Va.	6,847	7,584	20,275	19,448	877	861
W.Va.	763	812	2,384	2,174	3/	3/
N.C.	14,391	17,792	39,950	47,110	1,387	1,767
S.C.	1,871	2,125	5,522	5,328	681	940
Ga.	32,245	37,698	86,905	97,886	1,143	1,598
Fla.	1,883	1,825	4,936	4,841	1,081	1,167
S.A.	75,294	87,533	210,532	231,234	3/ 5,495	3/ 6,899
Ky.	1,265	1,200	3,460	2,990	530	690
Tenn.	3,660	3,900	10,390	10,500	1,260	1,500
Ala.	15,657	19,719	41,270	48,309	522	1,284
Miss.	11,440	13,997	32,162	35,999	474	599
E.S.C.	32,022	38,816	87,282	97,798	2,786	4,073
Ark.	14,046	19,130	40,173	50,213	304	444
La.	1,669	2,473	5,161	6,415	380	171
Okla.	572	570	2,002	1,950	1,035	1,150
Texas	10,227	13,750	29,563	34,840	2,925	3,872
W.S.C.	26,514	35,923	76,899	93,418	4,644	5,637
Idaho	400	500	1,016	1,177	362	365
Colo.	104	76	198	139	399	463
Utah	201	238	529	499	402	402
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	4/ 826	4/ 913	4/ 2,003	4/ 2,050	4/ 1,671	4/ 1,749
Wash.	1,357	1,548	3,988	4,100	1,252	1,195
Oreg.	1,599	1,622	4,236	4,365	651	517
Calif.	5,227	6,758	14,888	17,817	5,325	6,235
Pac.	8,183	9,928	23,112	26,282	7,228	7,947
U.S.	176,804	209,146	495,476	549,616	71,561	90,458

1/ Preliminary.

2/ To avoid disclosing individual operations - West North Central total includes North and South Dakota.

3/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware and West Virginia.

4/ Mountain total includes Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico and Arizona.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries (Continued)

State and division	Egg-type			T o t a l			
	January through March			March		January through March	
	1960	1961 1/	Average	1960	1961 1/	1960	1961 1/
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	1,283	976	4,595	3,797	5,762	15,713	16,039
N.H.	728	939	2,532	1,437	1,503	3,807	4,103
Vt.	119	200	109	77	86	119	200
Mass.	3,545	3,967	3,511	2,453	2,723	6,188	6,795
R.I.	70	225	287	327	465	792	1,217
Conn.	2,461	2,570	5,627	3,991	3,785	10,868	10,382
N.E.	8,206	8,877	16,662	14,082	14,324	37,487	38,736
N.Y.	4,380	4,750	3,687	2,722	2,410	6,739	6,445
N.J.	4,750	5,330	6,637	2,850	2,970	7,220	6,780
Pa.	9,386	11,455	11,297	9,109	10,557	22,583	26,522
M.A.	18,516	21,535	21,622	14,681	15,937	36,542	39,747
Ohio	6,450	8,400	8,664	5,250	6,000	10,400	12,300
Ind.	7,304	10,659	13,584	11,010	11,734	24,373	25,582
Ill.	7,613	9,213	10,588	5,231	6,101	9,843	11,450
Mich.	3,030	4,050	3,922	2,190	2,450	4,460	5,420
Wis.	2,799	3,575	4,876	3,482	4,070	7,415	8,613
E.N.C.	27,196	35,897	41,635	27,163	30,355	56,491	63,365
Minn.	7,300	9,360	12,157	5,980	7,735	8,555	11,355
Iowa	8,930	13,310	14,151	7,360	10,430	10,150	14,755
Mo.	3,186	5,189	12,208	7,057	10,305	18,455	23,389
N.Dak.	423	605	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
S.Dak.	2,570	3,595	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	3,764	5,971	5,645	2,795	4,445	4,239	6,554
Kans.	2,550	3,535	4,501	2,000	3,000	3,357	4,515
W.N.C.	28,723	41,565	2/ 52,856	2/ 27,776	2/ 39,570	2/ 47,769	2/ 64,860
Del.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Mi.	349	601	7,660	11,545	13,002	33,397	35,538
Va.	1,474	1,844	8,404	7,724	8,445	21,749	21,292
W.Va.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
N.C.	2,591	3,764	12,066	15,778	19,559	42,541	50,874
S.C.	1,478	2,218	2,088	2,552	3,065	7,000	7,546
Ga.	3,365	4,042	25,455	33,388	39,296	90,270	101,928
Fla.	3,021	3,932	3,134	2,964	2,992	7,957	8,773
S.A.	3/12,447	3/ 16,674	3/ 66,628	3/ 80,789	3/ 94,432	3/222,979	3/247,908
Ky.	811	1,270	2,474	1,795	1,890	4,271	4,260
Tenn.	2,400	3,200	4,308	4,920	5,400	12,790	13,700
Ala.	1,565	2,942	9,358	16,179	21,003	42,835	51,251
Miss.	1,153	1,529	6,690	11,914	14,596	33,315	37,528
E.S.C.	5,929	8,941	22,830	34,808	42,889	93,211	106,739
Ark.	774	1,264	10,734	14,350	19,574	40,947	51,477
La.	794	384	1,727	2,049	2,644	5,955	6,799
Okla.	1,585	1,970	2,565	1,607	1,720	3,587	3,920
Texas	6,683	9,546	13,354	13,152	17,622	36,246	44,386
W.S.C.	9,836	13,164	28,380	31,158	41,560	86,735	106,582
Mont.	4/	4/	530	368	380	517	622
Idaho	601	663	861	762	865	1,617	1,840
Colo.	731	887	1,020	503	539	929	1,026
Ariz.	4/	4/	240	215	194	550	602
Utah	856	855	636	603	640	1,385	1,354
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	4/ 3,067	4/ 3,474	4/ 3,386	4/ 2,497	4/ 2,662	4/ 5,070	4/ 5,524
Wash.	3,055	3,196	2,738	2,609	2,743	7,043	7,296
Oreg.	1,430	1,174	2,250	2,250	2,139	5,666	5,539
Calif.	14,718	17,226	11,117	10,552	12,993	29,606	35,043
Pac.	19,203	21,596	16,105	15,411	17,875	42,315	47,878
U.S.	133,123	171,723	270,103	248,365	299,604	628,599	721,339

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Baby chicks and turkey poults: Average prices paid to commercial hatcheries, March 1, 1961

State and division	Baby chicks, per 100			Turkey poults, each		
	Broiler	Egg-type pullets		Heavy breeds		Light
	breeds	Pure	Incross breeds	White	Other	breeds
	straight run	breeds	(hybrids)			
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.
Maine	1/ 13.0	32.0	---	---	---	---
N.H.	13.0	34.5	---	70	---	---
Vt.	---	32.5	---	78	---	---
Mass.	13.0	37.0	---	83	---	---
R.I.	13.0	32.5	---	81	---	---
Conn.	1/ 13.0	32.5	---	72	79	---
N.E.	13.0	34.5	---	73.3	---	---
N.Y.	13.0	39.5	55.0	84	80	---
N.J.	15.5	36.0	52.0	85	---	---
Pa.	1/ 13.5	37.0	49.0	1/ 80	1/ 90	1/ 60
M.A.	13.6	37.3	49.4	82.4	89.2	---
Ohio	13.0	39.0	56.0	72	75	50
Ind.	1/ 13.0	37.0	55.0	65	70	55
Ill.	1/ 14.0	37.5	54.0	70	70	---
Mich.	13.5	35.0	53.0	65	65	---
Wis.	14.0	36.5	52.0	58	65	---
E.N.C.	13.3	37.4	54.1	63.6	69.3	50.5
Minn.	12.0	36.0	48.0	1/ 55	1/ 62	1/ 41
Iowa	12.0	36.0	55.0	---	69	---
Mo.	1/ 10.2	29.0	51.0	1/ 65	1/ 70	1/ 50
N.Dak.	18.5	40.5	46.5	58	65	---
S.Dak.	---	35.0	49.5	54	65	45
Nebr.	16.5	33.5	50.0	70	68	---
Kans.	10.3	32.0	52.0	68	68	---
W.N.C.	10.7	34.8	50.3	57.6	66.0	42.8
Del.	1/ 12.5	45.0	---	---	---	---
Md.	1/ 12.5	35.0	56.0	---	---	---
Va. 1/	12.0	40.0	53.0	70	70	40
W.Va.	1/ 13.0	38.0	---	60	70	55
N.C.	1/ 12.0	33.0	52.5	65	64	---
S.C. 1/	12.0	39.5	---	75	65	49
Ga.	1/ 12.0	35.0	55.0	65	65	40
Fla.	1/ 13.0	40.0	54.0	---	55	---
S.A.	12.1	37.3	54.5	68.7	64.7	40.7
Ky.	12.5	35.0	57.0	---	---	---
Tenn.	12.5	38.0	53.0	---	---	---
Ala.	1/ 12.1	41.0	45.0	---	---	---
Miss.	1/ 11.5	30.0	46.0	65	---	---
E.S.C.	11.9	37.3	49.4	---	---	---
Ark.	1/ 10.5	30.0	46.5	60	70	45
La.	1/ 12.0	46.0	56.0	---	---	---
Okla.	13.0	31.5	50.0	---	65	45
Texas	1/ 11.7	39.5	51.5	1/ 60	1/ 62	1/ 50
W.S.C.	11.1	36.8	50.8	60.0	64.8	46.0
Mont.	17.0	41.0	51.0	---	---	---
Idaho	13.0	42.5	56.0	80	75	---
Colo.	14.0	40.0	56.0	68	68	---
Ariz.	16.0	44.5	47.0	---	55	---
Utah	14.0	40.5	48.0	55	65	45
Mount.	13.7	41.6	51.4	---	66.7	---
Wash. 1/	13.5	42.5	44.0	---	65	---
Oreg. 1/	16.0	36.5	42.5	55	60	40
Calif. 1/	12.5	36.5	48.0	---	55	---
Pac.	13.3	37.6	46.8	---	56.1	---
U.S.	12.1	36.8	51.0	60.8	64.2	43.1

1/ As of the 15th of the month.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1960	1961	Change from:	1960	1961	Change from	
			last year.			last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
<u>Broiler-type</u>							
January	159,125	167,488	+ 5	159,125	167,488	+ 8,363	+ 5
February	159,547	172,982	+ 8	318,672	340,470	+21,798	+ 7
March	176,804	209,146	+ 18	495,476	549,616	+54,140	+ 11
April	172,931			668,407			
May	195,082			863,489			
June	185,349			1,048,838			
July	175,673			1,224,511			
August	155,522			1,380,033			
September	139,978			1,520,011			
October	143,414			1,663,425			
November	144,191			1,807,616			
December	157,888			1,965,504			
<u>Egg-type</u>							
January	23,337	32,906	+ 41	23,337	32,906	+ 9,569	+ 41
February	38,225	48,359	+ 27	61,562	81,265	+19,703	+ 32
March	71,561	90,458	+ 26	133,123	171,723	+38,600	+ 29
April	97,524			230,647			
May	99,682			330,329			
June	43,607			373,936			
July	18,825			392,761			
August	16,352			409,113			
September	16,704			425,817			
October	16,941			442,758			
November	16,713			459,471			
December	20,195			479,666			
<u>Total chicks</u>							
January	182,462	200,394	+ 10	182,462	200,394	+17,932	+ 10
February	197,772	221,341	+ 12	380,234	421,735	+41,501	+ 11
March	248,365	299,604	+ 21	628,599	721,339	+92,740	+ 15
April	270,455			899,054			
May	294,764			1,193,818			
June	228,956			1,422,774			
July	194,498			1,617,272			
August	171,874			1,789,146			
September	156,682			1,945,828			
October	160,355			2,106,183			
November	160,904			2,267,087			
December	178,083			2,445,170			

1/Preliminary.

Chicken eggs in incubators April 1, 1961

Geographic divisions	Percent change from April 1, 1960		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
New England	+ 8	- 18	+ 1
Middle Atlantic	+ 18	+ 1	+ 7
East North Central	+ 14	+ 9	+ 11
West North Central	+ 41	+ 19	+ 22
South Atlantic	+ 23	+ 31	+ 24
East South Central	+ 26	+ 38	+ 27
West South Central	+ 37	+ 20	+ 35
Mountain	+ 15	+ 13	+ 14
Pacific	+ 15	+ 8	+ 12
United States	+ 25	+ 14	+ 21

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic divisions	White		Other		Total		Light	
	heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		breeds 1/	
	1960	1961 2/	1960	1961 2/	1960	1961 2/	1960	1961 2/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Poults hatched during March								
New England	58	67	4	5	62	72	1	0
Middle Atlantic	98	71	126	166	224	237	22	18
East North Central	581	906	1,220	1,389	1,801	2,295	87	94
West North Central	1,360	2,212	4,627	5,369	5,987	7,581	289	354
South Atlantic	217	340	455	466	672	806	424	449
South Central	198	387	1,137	1,299	1,335	1,686	41	73
West	169	569	3,683	4,055	3,852	4,624	134	76
United States	2,681	4,552	11,252	12,749	13,933	17,301	998	1,064
Turkey eggs in incubators April 1								
New England	247	210	44	23	291	233	4	18
Middle Atlantic	249	201	288	279	537	480	47	69
East North Central	1,403	1,712	2,752	2,675	4,155	4,387	206	296
West North Central	2,431	3,484	8,278	10,014	10,709	13,498	479	507
South Atlantic	408	789	1,057	1,193	1,465	1,982	706	966
South Central	546	625	2,109	2,829	2,655	3,454	146	204
West	322	859	6,400	7,196	6,722	8,055	212	233
United States	5,606	7,880	20,928	24,209	26,534	32,089	1,800	2,293

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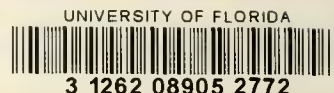
Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1960	1961 2/	Change from last year	1960	1961 2/	Change from last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
Heavy white breeds 1/							
January	1,228	2,209	+ 80	1,228	2,209	+ 981	+ 80
February	1,546	2,519	+ 63	2,774	4,728	+ 1,954	+ 70
March	2,681	4,552	+ 70	5,455	9,280	+ 3,825	+ 70
April	3,390			8,845			
May	3,800			12,645			
June	3,375			16,020			
July	2,304			18,324			
August	1,313			19,637			
September	919			20,556			
October	1,065			21,621			
November	1,286			22,907			
December	1,927			24,834			
Other heavy breeds 1/							
January	1,927	3,065	+ 59	1,927	3,065	+ 1,138	+ 59
February	5,378	6,788	+ 26	7,305	9,853	+ 2,548	+ 35
March	11,252	12,749	+ 13	18,557	22,602	+ 4,045	+ 22
April	13,206			31,763			
May	12,318			44,081			
June	8,116			52,197			
July	2,714			54,911			
August	407			55,318			
September	95			55,413			
October	320			55,733			
November	703			56,436			
December	1,620			58,056			
Total all heavy breeds 1/							
January	3,155	5,274	+ 67	3,155	5,274	+ 2,119	+ 67
February	6,924	9,307	+ 34	10,079	14,581	+ 4,502	+ 45
March	13,933	17,301	+ 24	24,012	31,882	+ 7,870	+ 33
April	16,596			40,608			
May	16,118			56,726			
June	11,491			68,217			
July	5,018			73,235			
August	1,720			74,955			
September	1,014			75,969			
October	1,385			77,354			
November	1,989			79,343			
December	3,547			82,890			

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Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1960	1961	Change from:	1960	1961	Change from	
		2/	last year		2/	last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Percent	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
<u>Light breeds 1/</u>							
January	601	926	+ 54	601	926	+ 325	+ 54
February	832	806	- 3	1,433	1,732	+ 299	+ 21
March	998	1,064	+ 7	2,431	2,796	+ 365	+ 15
April	1,101			3,532			
May	1,626			5,158			
June	1,701			6,859			
July	1,633			8,492			
August	1,131			9,623			
September	596			10,219			
October	468			10,687			
November	608			11,295			
December	873			12,168			
<u>Total all breeds 1/</u>							
January	3,756	6,200	+ 65	3,756	6,200	+ 2,444	+ 65
February	7,756	10,113	+ 30	11,512	16,313	+ 4,801	+ 42
March	14,931	18,365	+ 23	26,443	34,678	+ 8,235	+ 31
April	17,697			44,140			
May	17,744			61,884			
June	13,192			75,076			
July	6,651			81,727			
August	2,851			84,578			
September	1,610			86,188			
October	1,853			88,041			
November	2,597			90,638			
December	4,420			95,058			

1/Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other". Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys. 2/Preliminary.